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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Dear Sir.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), Applicant hereby petitions that the period for response for the purpose of filing a Request for Continued Examination, as governed by the October 9, 2007 mailing date of the Final Office Action, in the above-referenced patent application, be extended an additional two (2) months from February 11, 2008 to and including April 9, 2008. Please credit the remaining \$465 petition fee for a total three month extension under 37 C.F.R. 1.17 to the credit card identified on Form PTO-2038. **Only in the absence** of Form 2038, please debit any applicable fees due from Deposit Acct. No. 07-1185.

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